

## SECTION VI US ARMY ADVISOR IN FID

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### GENERAL

The US Army advisor's participation in FOREIGN INTERNAL DEFENSE is considered here within the context of a US service representative serving temporarily as a member of a MAAG. The advisor will serve for a limited period and perform specified tasks. When possible, he should be a member of the Foreign Area Officer Program or have a similar background and training. He operates primarily with the host country military at the national level. THE PRINCIPLES, HOWEVER, WILL APPLY TO AN ARMY ADVISOR OR A MOBILE TRAINING TEAM working at any level within the host country military structure. The Army advisor is first and foremost a representative of the United States in a foreign country.

Intercultural communications are involved in an advisor-counterpart relationship, and advisors frequently find themselves dealing with counterparts of quite different cultural, educational, and military backgrounds. Also, the military situation in any host country will present problems which require resolution by means appropriate to the specific country.

The following paragraphs provide a brief discussion of the functions of security assistance personnel and the advisor's relationship with the MAAG, the US country team, and the host country military establishment.

### FUNCTIONS OF SECURITY ASSISTANCE PERSONNEL

The primary functions of security assistance personnel are logistics management, transportation, fiscal management, and contract administration of the security assistance programs.